

After Rehearsing in Boston and Washington The Athletics Make Their Local Debut

OUR ASTOUNDING A'S ARE AMONG US TODAY TO BATTLE RED SOX

Having Lost but Two Games This Season, Locals Will Perform for Home Folks in Special Matinee. Phils End Hard Series With Brooklyn

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

AFTER a heart-breaking, nerve-racking series with Brooklyn, the Phils left town last night to make room for the Athletics and the Red Sox, who are here to bust open the local American League season.

The game on Monday was decided over the telephone. "I shall use Lee Meadows today," said Manager Wilhelm, "and he will win."

This had all the earmarks of one of those wise cracks, so Wilbert Robinson countered with the following: "I shall use Burleigh Grimes today and HE will win."

That made it all even, and when the afternoon was over neither side had anything to say. They were saving it up for the following day.

The battle continued on Tuesday, with Grimes and Meadows pitching their heads off. Yesterday the same star slingers were on the mound, showing that pitchers reviving pay checks can work three days in succession even if it doesn't mean anything.

The highly strung athletes discussed their pennant chances pro and con when there was nothing else to discuss. They learned that big league baseball was not such a bad occupation, and many congratulated themselves because they didn't learn a trade like bricklaying.

THREE meals a day and no place to go is pretty soft even for a couple of gangs of ball players. The only trouble is that only a few series are washed out by rain.

The Astounding Athletics Are Among Us

THE proud and cocky Athletics are among us, wearing their new laurels in blushing. They have a lot to answer for, as they deliberately deceived all of the local fans.

A year ago this same ball club was up there fighting for last place and entrenching themselves more firmly after every game. They played wonderful baseball, and at the end of every series the visiting club would leave town talking about how easy it is to win the pennant.

Now it is different. The A's have not appeared here—officially—as yet, and on foreign soil played a mean trick on the natives. They refused to play like the Athletics and copied two series from a pair of pretty good ball clubs. Two games out of three were swiped from the Red Sox and stranger than that, they allowed Washington but one contest out of three.

Looks as if Connie's dreams are about to come true. For years he has tried to get together a winning ball club, has tried out more than 400 players, experimented here and there with reverse English results, but instead of taking the high dive and resting on the hip while being contented, he kept on plugging away until he finally landed a lot of players who could not be accused of accepting money under false pretenses.

Connie revised some of his ideas. He first believed he needed a lot of kids who eventually would develop into stars, and after a brief trial, which landed him in the cool seven straight times, called for a new deal. He took Doc Johnston of Cleveland's hands and then turned around and grabbed Pep Young when the Tigers pushed him out of the dock.

The team has a punch this season and can hit the ball. The pitchers—all of them—are delivering and the defensive game has been greatly improved. The A's deserve a great welcome when they expose their new uniforms for the first time today in the opening conflict against the Red Sox.

LAST year the Athletics had every appearance of a shipwrecked sailor tied to a sponge. Now they are traveling in an airplane—over everybody's heads.

More About the Lightweight Situation

PHIL GLASSMAN started something when he stepped out and boldly claimed the lightweight championship of the world for Tendler yesterday. Whether he gets away with it or not remains to be seen, but it probably will be NOT. However, Leonard now knows what is going on in other cities and he may sit up and take notice.

They say a championship never was claimed by any one who got away with it since the Queensberry rules supplanted the London prize ring code. Perhaps this is true, but in looking over the history of boxing published by Tom Andrews and the following:

"Between the years of 1902 and 1906, Joe Gans, who had won the lightweight title from Frank Erne, could not or would not make the weight, which was 133 pounds, and fought welterweights. The result was that Jimmy Britt, of California, claimed the title and defended it, finally losing it to Battling Nelson. Nelson claimed it and fought Joe Gans in their memorable battle in Goldfield, Nev., on September 3, 1906, when Gans won on a foul in the forty-second round."

Everybody believes Jimmy Britt was the lightweight champion of the world, and judging from the above paragraph he claimed the title and got away with it.

LEONARD should give Tendler an opportunity to show whether or not he is a real contender, and if the claiming of the championship means nothing else, let's hope it will bring the two together.

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SELECT PENN FRESHMAN TEAM FOR MERCERSBURG CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL HAS GOOD TENNIS TEAM

18 Athletes to Compete in 13 Events Saturday—Strong in Distances

George Orton, who has been looking after the University of Pennsylvania track team, along with Al Kraenzlein, in the absence of Lawson Robertson, this morning selected the freshman track team which will represent the Red and Blue Saturday at Mercersburg against the academy boys.

In the middle distance and distance events the Penn yearlings are strong, and with Hayes in the sprints should score points. In the hurdles and the field events the yearlings are lacking in stellar performers.

With McLane and Kerr, the stars of the first-year team, not due to arrive here Friday afternoon for the meet: 100 yards, Hayes, McHugh; 220, Herman, McHugh and Mitchell; 440, Jensen, Butts, Peck, Streeter; 1 mile, Butts, Fischer, Cullman and Streeter; 120-yard hurdles, Bauer and Masland.

Pole vault, Sherrill, Owens; broad jump, Sherrill and Owens; high jump, Sherrill and Knapp; high jump, Wemple, Sherrill and Francis. In the hammer, discus and javelin, Michaels, Papworth and Francis have been entered.

YALE CAPTAIN RESIGNS

Gibson, of Yale, Removes Self to Gain Speed for Short Races

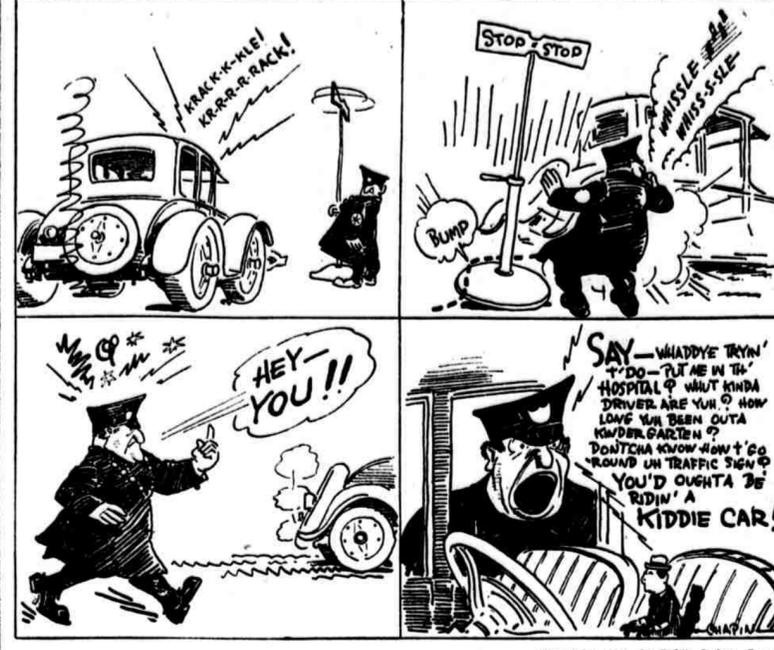
New Haven, Conn., April 20.—Realizing that he is not adapted to short-distance racing, Captain Langhorne Gibson, of the Yale crew, at his own suggestion, retired from the Yale first eight and was replaced by Tom Haines, who weighs twenty-two pounds less.

Gibson plans to remain out of the regular shell during the short races against Columbia and probably against Cornell and Princeton, but will take his seat again for the four-mile event against Harvard.

Gibson's act in the interest of his own speed for the Yale crew has been more of a popular hero at Yale than before, if that were possible.

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DID IT EVER OCCUR TO YOU?



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WALTZ ABSENT AT THE 'WALTZ DREAM'

Weekly Bouts at Atlantic City Club Are Full of Action

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

WALTZ DREAM HALL is the name of the arena where the Northside Athletic Club holds forth with weekly boxing shows at Atlantic City.

On Thursday night five matches were staged. The first bout ended in a knockout in the second round, then a pair of gentlemen of color—Blackjack Dempsey and George Parker—went through six rounds which put the big crowd in good humor, after which three terrifically luscious eight-round battles were contested.

Someone in Box C, at the ringside, commented on the action being furnished the capacity house: "Great stuff, very seldom seen so much fight at the big clubs in the city."

"That's nothing," was the reply from Mrs. Harry Jackson, wife of the Northside A. C. president and steady champion of the American Legion.

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Hoover Withdrawal in Gold Cup Unconfirmed

Henry Penn Burke Says Report is News to Him

The reported withdrawal of Walter Hoover, of Duluth, present holder of the national single sculls championship, in the Gold Challenge Cup (over head), standing broad jump and potato race. The girls also will have several dance numbers which will wind up the morning program.

In the afternoon the following events for boys will be called in order: 100-yard dash, discus throw, javelin throw, 220-yard dash, 440-yard dash, mile run, standard broad jump, running high jump, half-mile run, running broad jump, half-mile run.

Badgers May Be Out

Wisconsin Crew May Be Absent From Intercollegiate Regatta

New York, April 20.—The University of Wisconsin crew will probably be absent from the intercollegiate regatta at Poughkeepsie this summer.

Leading Batsmen in Each Major League

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MEADOWBROOK GETS STAR

Secures Services of Albert G. Hill, English Champion Miller

Samuel J. Dallas, of the Meadowbrook Club, is preparing for the games to be held here next February at the Commercial Museum, and has already started to build up a great organization for the Wanamaker athletes.

It is the intention to also stage a big meet here during the Sesqui-Centennial, as the stadium at Franklin Field will be available, and plans have already been discussed to make it a record-breaking event.

It became known today that Dallas has secured the services of Albert G. Hill, champion miler of England and winner of the 800 meters and 1500 meters at the last Olympics in Antwerp in 1920.

Hill is at present working for the subway system in London and will not come here until the fall. His first race is expected to be against Joe Hayes, champion of American milers, in the Meadowbrook games here next February. It is said that Hill will shortly join the Athletic Club, the New York branch of the Wanamaker organization.

OFFERED RECORD PURSE

"Strangler" Lewis Guaranteed \$25,000 to Meet Peck

Chicago, April 20.—A straight guarantee of \$25,000 has been offered Ed "Strangler" Lewis, heavyweight champion wrestler, for a match with John Peck, of Nebraska, by the Theodore Roosevelt Post of the American Legion. The match would be to a finish in Chicago on June 17 in the open.

Peck's signature has been obtained. The amount offered Lewis would be a record purse for a Chicago wrestling match. It would exceed by \$5000 the purse given Golch when he wrestled Hackenschmidt.

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Sevens and Saddle

The Classic Handicap, for a purse of \$2500, brings together several Derby candidates at Havre de Grace today. Violent brings the class of the field. Sideral is fast and with Trevelyan should furnish the contention.

Another feature is the Newark Handicap, for \$2500, in which Perry, Netherby and the same field, Netherby and Perry, are the favorites. Sideral has not won a race, but he has in Lion de Or and Oriole two good heavy-trick horses which between them should account for the purse. Wellfunder and Exodius are other fleet ones.

Horses well placed in other races are: race race, Herby Times, Cartoonist, Paris, H. Second—Eternity, The Decision, Winneconne. Third—Apple Jack II, Charlie Summy, Camouflage, Sixth—Royal Duck, Joan of Arc, Chesterbrook Farm. Their colors will be "black, purple sash and cap."

The Maryland Jockey Club will, as winner of each race run at its spring meeting. This is simply continuing a recognition of the man that makes ready the horse.

Good Times, J. S. Costen's Kentucky Derby candidate, worked the fastest mile of the spring training season at Pimlico yesterday. With C. Kummer in the saddle the gelding went the distance in 1:43.

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SEEK 100 PER CENT GOLF MEMBERSHIP

Local P. G. A. Hopes to Enlist All "Pros" Here and Many Amateurs as Well

JONES TO ENTER HARVARD

By SANDY McENBICK

THE joy-beam filters into the soul of some golfers when they see the first robin. That's springtime. It's tee time.

But the pro golfers hereabouts are beaming because, like the robin, Stanley Hern has come up here out of Dixie again. For the pros that means some of the hitches in the local P. G. A. will be straightened out and that the schedule of events will get a lot of momentum.

Hern got the crowd together in the first place, with the aid of some able assistants, knew what it was all about but, with a lot of ideas under his curly locks, was called away right at the start to go down to Atlanta.

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Runs Scored for Week in Two Big Leagues

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table with columns for teams (Chicago, St. Louis, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Cincinnati, New York, Phillies, Boston) and runs scored (S, M, T, W, T, F, S, T).

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with columns for teams (Athletics, Cleveland, New York, St. Louis, Boston, Washington, Chicago, Detroit) and runs scored (S, M, T, W, T, F, S, T).

Bob's partner, but didn't help on a single hole.

"When an amateur beats the champion of America and the champion of Great Britain, his score against their best ball, that's traveling."

"Jones is coming to Harvard next fall to enter the Law School. It'll be a great thing for him. When he gets up around Boston with Outmet and Guilford and all those courses—away from home, in other words—I look for him to step out. He's a wonder and a sure champion."

Great Golf Act

The galleries at Keth's this week, golf fans and otherwise, are getting a good laugh at this local emporium of vaudeville over the golf act put on by Alex Morrison and Ed Flanagan.

Morrison was pro last year at the Los Angeles Country Club. He repaired a lot of course records out there, a 68 on one of the courses being a notable performance.

Morrison started many famous folk in golf, Babe Ruth, Annette Kellerman, and so forth.

Through the whole education up to pro. Then he began trick shots as a diversion. Flanagan, a favorite comedian and a real golf enthusiast, got Morrison interested in the stage and together they have put across the only real golf act yet staged.

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